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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDS&T
Acting DDA

SUBJECT: Psychological Assessments


A New York Times article dealing with the subject and the Director's questions caused by it are attached. Please prepare a memorandum for the Director, via the Acting DDCI, that covers the following:

a. What we are currently doing in the psychological assessment area and under what guidelines and controls. The memo should cover the requirements for such assessments as well as the manner in which they are prepared.

b. A brief summary of the VIP Assessment Program.

c. Anything on this subject which you believe should be brought to the Director's attention.

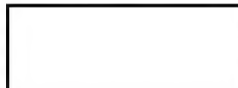
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A. Mind PROBES NOW More Benign

By JOSEPH B. TREASTER

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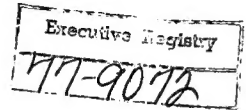


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Admiral Stansfield Turner, Director
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Dear Admiral Turner:

The National Capital Area Chapter of ASPA would be delighted if you would accept our invitation to speak at the Chapter's September luncheon meeting. We are interested in hearing your views on the management of the U.S. intelligence community.

Previous speakers have included Alan Campbell, Chairman of the United States Civil Service Commission and a member of ASPA; William Coleman, then Secretary of Transportation; Elmer Staats, Comptroller General of the United States, also an ASPA member and Past President; and William Proxmire, Senator from Wisconsin.

To accommodate your busy schedule, we are suggesting three alternative dates for your consideration: Wednesday, September 7; Thursday, September 8; or Wednesday, September 21. Our preference is September 21.

The meeting will be held at Hogates Restaurant, 9th Street and Maine Avenue, S.W.

Luncheon will be served promptly at 12 noon, preceded by cocktails at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will begin at approximately 12:30, to allow sufficient time for your remarks and for a question and answer period. We like to adjourn between 1:30 and 1:45 p.m.

We are enclosing some ASPA materials for your information: the latest issue of Public Administration Review; a copy of the October 1976 monthly newsletter "News and Views," in which President Carter and then President Ford, as candidates, addressed the public administration community on "The Management of the American Governmental System;" an ASPA brochure which outlines ASPA's programs and activities; and an organization chart.

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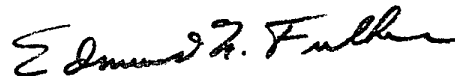
Through our programs we try to provide a forum on timely new policies and programs. Through our newsletter your remarks will reach hundreds of additional officials in all government agencies.

We hope you will be able to speak to us in September. Given the time needed for publicity, we would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible. I will call your office on August 10 for a reply.

Should you need any further information, call me on 447-3247, or at home on 971-6354.

Thank you for your consideration of our invitation.

Sincerely,



Edmund N. Fulker
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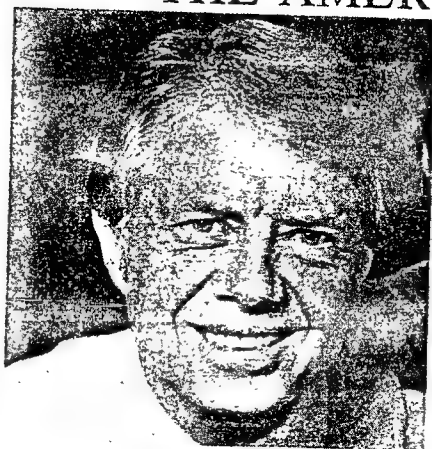
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In September, *P.A. News and Views* invited Presidential Candidates Carter, Ford, Maddox, and McCarthy to submit brief statements on the topic, "The Management of the American Governmental System." Candidates Carter and Ford submitted statements prepared specifically for *P.A. News and Views*. Candidate McCarthy submitted a press release and an excerpt from a previous speech dealing with the subject, and Candidate Maddox thanked *P.A. News and Views* for the opportunity, but said he did not have the time nor the staff to reply.

The following are the statements of three presidential candidates on:

THE MANAGEMENT OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENTAL SYSTEM



Jimmy Carter



President Gerald Ford



Eugene McCarthy

On the campaign trail, a lot of promises are made by candidates for public office to improve economy and efficiency in government if they are elected. This pledge has a natural appeal to the financially overburdened taxpayer. But when winning candidates take office, they too often find that it's easier to talk about economy and efficiency in government than to accomplish it. I would like to share with you some of my ideas on how to carry out improved management of the federal government.

The basic difficulty facing the federal government today cuts across all other campaign issues. National problems and the government programs and agencies intended to deal with them have become incredibly complex. To begin with, the federal government is ill-equipped to deal with a

I commend the members of the American Society for Public Administration for your excellent work in helping to improve public management. I especially note with satisfaction your educational programs and efforts to exchange useful management information and experience with federal, state, and local governments.

The term "management" was not in use at the time of the framing of the Constitution, yet it is clear that management is what the drafters had in mind when they vested the President with the general executive powers and charged him to "take care that the laws be faithfully executed" (Art. II, Sec. 3). This "take care" clause conveys particularly well the fundamental responsibility of the President with respect to the management functions of planning, organizing, actuating, co-

WASHINGTON, D.C., September 23, 1976 — Independent presidential candidate Eugene McCarthy today characterized the Carter energy program as misconceived and inadequate. Said McCarthy, "There should be no separate department of energy since energy supplies, needs and use must be a part of general resources policy, which neither Ford nor Carter have." McCarthy continued, "The need is for a Department of Resources which would include, along with energy, agricultural production (not marketing), forestry, mines and minerals."

The Resources Department would be according to a projected reorganization plan being prepared by the independent McCarthy. He would propose to reorganize the Executive Branch of the government into five basic departments. The other four would be:

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hello my fellow American! This is ex-President Ford speaking. I'm sorry I can't come to the phone right now, but I'm either playing golf in Palm Springs... or falling down a flight of stairs... or something. I will please leave your name and your telephone number and I'll call you back as soon as I can. I'll be home at the sound of the beep...

This is Howard Co-sell, a man who took mere sportscasting and turned it into one of the fine arts! Obviously, I am not presiding at my abode at this particular place in time, but feel privileged to have the chance to hear my voice, pre-recorded as it is! There will be no beep or opportunity for you to leave a message, as listing my accomplishments for just this past month will more than fill the tape time allotted on this recording device. So sit back, relax...

This is Erica Jong! I don't answer my phone any more because I'm sick of people calling and criticizing me for my loose morals! However, if you're not going to go into that ridiculous nonsense, please leave your name and number! And if you're a man between the ages of 28 and 38, please leave a complete description of what you look like, and what you like to do . . . even the kinky stuff! Especially the kinky stuff . . . !!

This is Billy Graham! I'm sorry I can't help you with your problem, but perhaps he's out. Perhaps He wanted me to be out to Him for guidance, confident in the fact that He will never let you down! So why leave when you can talk directly to Him? And

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Hey, Turkey! So you finally learned how to dial a phone! Or did you reach me by mistake because you couldn't get your fat little fingers into the right hole? Yes, this is Don Rickles! Who'd you think it was, Zsa Zsa Gabor? You want to leave a message for me? Tough! I can't hear you! You usually leave messages . . . on the bus! Oh, my! Hey, what the hell am I doing here for free? If you want to hear more from me, call my agent and ask him where I'm appearing!

This is Danny Thomas! I hope you've seen the TV series, "The Practice"—Wednesday, 8 p.m. By the way, in some areas, my original show "The Danny Thomas Show" is still being re-run by popular demand. I'm not here to talk about humble me, or my daughter, Mario Thomas, who made the cover of *Time* magazine. I'm here to tell you about the show! So at the sound of the beep, give me your name and number . . . and why not a Saint Jude Hospital? Actually the hospital is in Los Angeles. So if you're in the area, let me know! So we desperately need funds for the hospital. So if you can, please call me at 800-444-4444. I'll be glad to talk to you. Thank you very much. I'll be back on the air in 15 minutes. I'll be back on the air in 15 minutes. I'll be back on the air in 15 minutes.

Hi, this is Johnnie Carson, better known as The Internat'l Revenue Service! I can't come right now because I'm busy! How busy? A shoe salesman waiting on an impatient customer. Folks, these are the laughs! Where you fighting for my country? Okay, if you're not at the top, let's hear your best!



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Hello, my fellow Americans! This is ex-President Ford speaking! I'm sorry I can't come to the phone right now, but I'm either playing golf in Palm Springs... skiing in Vail... or taking down a flight of stairs... somewhere! If you will please leave your name and your telephone number at the sound of the beep...

This is Howard Cosell, a man who took mere sportscasting and turned it into one of the fine arts! Obviously, I am not presiding at my abode at this particular place in time, but feel privileged to have the chance to hear my voice, pre-recorded as it is! There will be no beep or opportunity for you to leave a message, as listing my accomplishments for just this past month will more than fill the tape time allotted on this recording device. So sit back, relax...

This is Erica Jong! I don't answer my phone any more because I'm sick of people calling and criticizing me for my loose morals! However, if you're not going to go into that ridiculous nonsense, please leave your name and number! And if you're a man between the ages of 28 and 35, please leave a complete description of what you look like, and what you like to do... even the kinky stuff! Especially the kinky stuff...!!

This is Billy Graham! I'm sorry I can't help you with your problem, but perhaps he would be out! Perhaps he wanted me to be out! For guidance, confident in that I will never let you down! So why let me when you can talk directly to Him?

Hello! This is Congressman Milton Cowznofski! I'm busy right now, fashioning laws and molding doctrine (the) will affect the lives of all freedom-loving Americans! So please leave your name and number, and I'll try to call you back! However, if this is a dire emergency, try calling me at the Happy Hours Motel!

Hey, did you finally learn how to dial a phone? I'm sorry I can't help you by mistake because you couldn't get the fingers into the right holes? Yes, this is Zsa Zsa Gabor! I want to leave a message for me? Tough! You usually leave messages... on the Bus Room wall! Hey, what the hell am I doing for free? If you want to hear more from me, call me at the Happy Hours Motel!

Hello! This is Jessica Lange! I bought this telephone answering machine because I just knew that after my appearance in "King Kong," my phone would be ringing off the hook with fabulous offers! So please leave your name and phone number, and I'll get back to you as soon as time permits! Probably within the next two minutes!

This is Ralph Nader! Your call is being answered by a Fonebone K-11 Automatic Telephone Answering Machine which is truly a piece of junk! A couple of wires, a cheap recording head, and for that you pay \$250.00! If you'd like to join me in my crusade to make companies stop over-charging for inferior equipment, please leave your name and telephone number after the beep, and let's pray this overpriced hunk of trash records it properly!

Hello! This is Stanfield Turner, the head of the C.I.A. I can't answer the phone right now because I'm out! Which doesn't make much difference anyway, because I wouldn't answer my phone if I were in! I know what can be done with wire taps and bugging devices! I will, however, have someone get back to you! Don't bother to leave your name and phone number! We know who you are already... because all calls coming into this office are traced automatically!

This is Danny Thomas! I hope you like my TV series, "The Dick Van Dyke Show"—Wednesday nights, 8:30. In some areas, my old "The Dick Van Dyke Show" is still being re-run by popular demand! So at the sound of the beep, leave your name and number... and why not Saint Jude Hospital? Actually, I'm not here, but we desperately need you!

Hi, this is Johnnie Carson, better known as The Tonight Show! I can't answer the phone right now because I'm busy! How busy? I'm a shoe salesman waiting on an impatient customer! These are the laughs! Where are you? Fighting for my country? Okay, if you're funny, at the beep, let's hear you!

Hi! This is Bob Guccione, publisher of "Penthouse Magazine." I can't answer the phone right now, and if you were a woman, you wouldn't want to come to the phone!

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1527 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20036, (AC 202) 483-2512

August 5, 1977

Dear Admiral Turner:

I am writing on behalf of the Officers and Staff of the American Political Science Association to invite you to attend our 73rd Annual Meeting, which will be held in the Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, D. C., September 1 to 4.

Enclosed for your convenience is a Final Program, containing detailed information about the meeting and about the Association. It is my hope that you will also call the Program to the attention of others who might be interested.

With best wishes,

Cordially,



Evron M. Kirkpatrick
Executive Director

Adm. Stansfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

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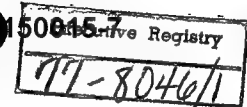
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August 3, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN
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Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

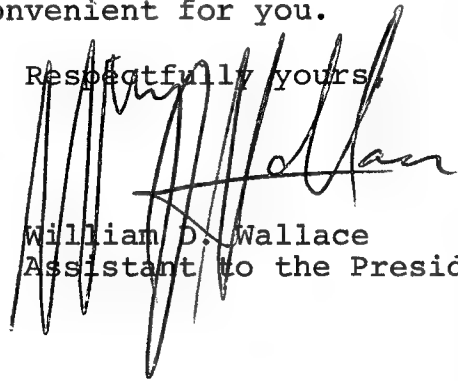
Thank you very much for yours of July 29th.

We are just delighted that you can honor our forum on the afternoon of Wednesday, January the 18th, recognizing that this is not a firm commitment yet.

In an unrelated matter, I am enclosing here-with our just-published list of Forum speakers over the past season, ie. from September, 1976 to June, 1977. I thought you might like to have this for your records.

We greatly look forward to your visit, and let us hope the 18th is convenient for you.

Respectfully yours,


William D. Wallace
Assistant to the President

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—"The Presidential Race"

Dr. Lawrence R. Klein
*Benjamin Franklin Professor,
Wharton School of Finance
and Commerce, University of
Pennsylvania*

—"Economic Issues
of Campaign '76"

The Honorable Shirley Temple Black
Chief of Protocol

—"Perspectives on Africa"

General Louis H. Wilson, USMC
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*Ambassador of Spain to the
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*The Minister of Finance of
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The Honorable Mark O. Hatfield
*United States Senator from
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*Ambassador of the Arab Republic
of Egypt to the United States*

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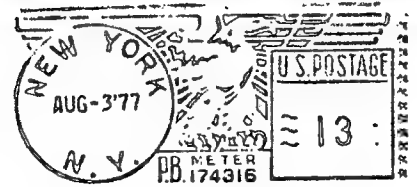
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August 2, 1977

Admiral Stanfield Turner
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Admiral Turner:

Our publisher, Louis Lerner, met with you today and passed on to us the word that you are a Highland Parker and that you will be in Chicago later this year.

We are eager to have a hometown interview with you, one that would cover your residency in Highland Park, your military career and the challenges of your present position.

Please have your staff contact us about the dates of your upcoming visit to the Chicago area and we will arrange our schedule to the time you have available.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Bjorklund
Executive Editor

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cc: Lou Lerner

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Tuesday
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1977

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The President of the United States
c/o To Whom It May Concern
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, DC 20013

Dear Sir;

This past Sunday, I viewed on television, the weekly news broadcast "60 Minutes", which broadcast a story on Admiral Stansfield Turner, the director of the Central Intelligence Agency. It seems that he believes that someone should have absolute power over the workings of that organization. He has not indicated himself, but everyone is sure that this is who it would be, if this came to pass.

Would you please be so kind as to let the President know that I am opposed to this. "Power corrupts, and absolute power, corrupts absolutely." The C.I.A., believe it or not, has for many years now, been acting more like a subversive organization than what it is supposed to, even though the F.B.I. is much worse. I personally resent the fact that our country has a larger force of secret police and spy-type people than any other on earth, and the fact that 1984 seems to be here already, seven years early. I did not write in to 60 minutes, because I am so paranoid about this organization that I think they might make life difficult for me, for voicing my views on the subject.

Please don't misunderstand me, though. There is nothing I hate worse than Communism, and I approve of the function of the C.I.A. I do not approve of what Mr. Turner wants to do, nor the methods of C.I.A. practice, and never have.

Thank you very much for your time, and hopeful cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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